#### PATENT APPLICATION

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: NEW STRAINS "FIL", STRESS-RESISTANT UNDER FERMENTATION AND/OR GROWTH CONDITIONS

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

# MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Continued Examination is requested. An RCE Transmittal paper and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) are being submitted herewith.

A petition and the required fee are also submitted herewith for a five (5) month extension of time to extend the time period for reply after filing a Notice of Appeal on June 11, 2007 from August 11, 2007 to January 11, 2008.

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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